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THE METHOD Of saying the ROSARY Of Our BLESSED LADY:

As it was Ordered by Pope IHS the Fifth, of the Holy Order of *Preachers*; And as it is said in Her *Majesties* Chappel at St. JAMES's.

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An ADVERTISEMENT,

Concerning the following Method of saying the *ROSARY*.

THE *Devotion of the* Rosary, *so called, because it is, as it were, a* Chaplet *of* Spiritual Roses; *that is, of most sweet and devout* Prayers, *was first revealed by the B. Virgin to St.* Dominick, (*the Father and Founder of the Holy Order of* Preachers) *as a Devotion most efficacious for the obtaining all favours from God, and averting all evils from our selves. It consists of Fifteen* Pater Noster's, *and a Hundred and fifty* Ave Mary's, *and is divided into three Parts, whereof each contains in it Five* Decads; *that is, Five* Pater Noster's, *and Fifty* Ave Mary's.

To each of these Decads *in the following Method is assigned one of the principal Mysteries of the Life of our Saviour, or his B. Mother, as matter of* Meditation, *wherein the Mind is to exercise it self while it prays, and therefore is prefixed before the beginning of each* Decad.

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The Myſteries alſo in number Fifteen, are divided into three Parts, anſwerable to the three Parts of the Roſary; *that is, into Five* joyful Myſteries *for the firſt part of the* Roſary; *Five* Sorrowful, *for the Second, and five* Glorious *for the Third.*

Now the uſe of the following Method or manner of ſaying the Roſary, *conſiſteth in a devout Application or Attention of the Mind to the Myſtery aſsigned, while the* Decad *is ſaying, and raiſing correſpondent Affection in the Will, ſuch as the Devotion and neceſsity of each one ſhall ſuggeſt: For example, in the firſt part, of* Joy and Thankſgiving *for the coming of our* Redeemer, *and the* great work *of our* Redemption. *In the ſecond, of* Compaſſion for the ſuffering of our Lord, *and* Contrition for our ſins which were the cauſe of them. *In the third, of* Exaltation of the Glory of our Saviour, *and his* B. Mother, *and hope through the Merits of his Paſsion, and her Interceſsion, to be made partakers of Glory with them.*

He that shall say the Rosary *with this attention of Mind, and affection of Will, shall undoubtedly give much Glory to God, and reap much benefit to his own Soul; which was the Intention of* Pope PIUS *the* Fifth, (*a most pious Son of St.* Dominick) *in ordering; and is the endeavour at present of one of the meaneſt among the Sons of ſo glorious a Father, in publiſhing the Meditations and Prayers, as they are ſet down in the following Method.*

The Joyful Myſteries aſſigned for Mundays *and* Thurſdays *through the Year, and* Sundays *in* Advent, *and after* Epiphany, *till* Lent.

The First Myſtery.

The Meditation.

LEt us contemplate on this Myſtery how the Angel *Gabriel* ſaluted our Bleſſed Lady with the Title of *Full of grace*; and declared unto her the Incarnation

nation of our Lord and Saviour *Jesus Christ.*

Then say, *Our Father*,&c. once. *Hail Mary*, Ten times.

OUR *Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy Kingdom come; thy will be done on Earth, as it is in Heaven: Give us this day our daily Bread: And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil.* Amen.

HAil *Mary*, full of Grace, our Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst Women; and blessed is the Fruit of thy Womb, *Jesus*. Holy *Mary*, Mother of God, pray for Us Sinners, now, and in the hour of our Death. *Amen.*

The Prayer.

O *Holy* Mary, *Queen of Virgins, by the most High Mystery of the Incarnation of thy beloved Son, our Lord* Jesus Christ, *by which our Salvation was so happily begun, obtain for us by thy Intercession, light to know this so*

great Benefit, which he hath bestowed upon us, vouchsafing in it, to make himself our Brother, and thee his own most beloved Mother, our Mother also. Amen.

The Second Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us Contemplate on this Mystery how the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, understanding from the Angel, that her Cousin, St. *Elizabeth* had conceived, went with hast into the Mountains of *Judea* to visit her, and remained with her three Months.

The Prayer.

O *Holy Virgin, most spotless Mirrour of Humility; by that exceeding Charity which moved thee to visit thy Holy Cousin,* St. Elizabeth; *obtain for us by thy Intercession, that our hearts may be so visited by thy most Holy Son; that free from all sin, we may praise him, and give him thanks for ever.* Amen.

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The Third Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us Contemplate on this Mystery, how the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, when the time of her Delivery was come, brought forth our Redeemer *Christ Jesus* at Midnight, and laid him in a Manger, because there was no room for him in the Innes in *Bethlehem.*

The Prayer.

O *Most pure Mother of God, by thy Virginal and most joyful Delivery, by which thou gavest unto the World thy only Son our Saviour; we beseech thee obtain for us (by thy Intercession) Grace to lead so pure and Holy a Life in this World, that we may worthily sing without ceasing, both Day and Night, the Mercies of thy Son, and his Benefits to us by thee.* Amen.

The Fourth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us Contemplate in this Mystery, how the most

Blessed Virgin *Mary*, on the day of her Purification presented the Child *Jesus* in the Temple, where Holy *Simeon* giving thanks to God, with great Devotion received him into his arms.

The Prayer.

O *Holy Virgin, most admirable Mistress and Pattern of obedience; who didst present in the Temple, the Lord of the Temple; obtain for us by thy beloved Son, that with holy* Simeon *and devout* Anna, *we may praise and glorifie him for ever.* Amen.

The Fifth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET Us Contemplate in this Mystery, how the Blessed Virgin *Mary*, having lost without any fault of hers, her beloved Son in *Jerusalem*; she sought him for the space of three days, and at length found him the third day in the Temple, in the midst of the Doctors disputing with them, being of the age of twelve years

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The Prayer.

MOst blessed Virgin more than Martyr in thy suffering, and yet the comfort of such as are afflicted; by that unspeakable Joy wherewith thy Soul was ravished in finding thy beloved Son in the Temple, in the midst of the Doctors disputing with them; obtain of him for us, so to seek him, and to find him in the Holy Catholick Church that we may never be separated from him. Amen.

Salve Regina.

HAil Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our Life, our Sweetness, and our Hope; to Thee do we cry, poor banished Sons of *Eve:* to Thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this Valley of Tears: turn then most gracious Advocate, thy Eyes of Mercy towards Us, and after this our Exile ended, shew unto Us the blessed Fruit of thy Womb, *Jesus.* O most clement, most pious, and most sweet Virgin *Mary.*

Vers. *Pray for Us Holy Mother of God.*

℟. That we may be made worthy of the Promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

HEar, *O merciful God, the prayer of thy Servants, that we who meet together in the Society of the most Holy* Rosary *of the B. Virgin, Mother of God, by her Intercession, may by Thee, be deliver'd from the dangers that continually hang over us.* Amen.

The Dolorous, or Sorrowful Mysteries for Tuesdays *and* Fridays *through the Year, and the* Sundays *in* Lent.

The First Mystery.

The Meditation.

LET us Contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus* was so afflicted for Us in the Garden of *Gethsemani*, that his Body was bathed in a Bloody Sweat,

Sweat, which ran trickling down in great drops unto the ground. *Our Father*, *Hail* Mary, as before.

The Prayer.

MOst Holy Virgin, more than Martyr, by that ardent Prayer, which thy beloved Son poured forth unto his Father in the Garden, vouchsafe to intercede for us, that our passions reduced to the obedience of Reason, we may always, and in all things conform, and subject our selves to the Will of God. Amen.

The Second Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us Contemplate on this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus Christ* was most cruelly scourged in *Pilate*'s House, the number of the Stripes they gave him, being above five thousand. (*As it was revealed by St.* Briget.)

The Prayer.

O Mother of God, over-flowing Fountain of Patience, by those stripes thy only and most beloved Son vouchsafed to suffer for us, obtain of him for us Grace, that we may know

know how to mortifie our rebellious Senses, and cut off all occasions of sinning, with that Sword of grief and compassion which pierced thy most tender Soul. Amen.

The Third Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us contemplate in this Mystery, how those cruel Ministers of Satan platted a Crown of sharp thorns, and most cruelly pressed it on the Most Sacred Head of our Lord *Jesus Christ.*

The Prayer.

O *Mother of our Eternal Prince and King of Glory, by those sharp Thorns, wherewith his most holy Head was pierced; we beseech thee, that by thy Intercession we may be deliver'd here from all motions of Pride, and in the day of Judgement from that confusion, which our sins deserve.* Amen.

The Fourth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt Us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus*

Jesus Christ, being sentenced to die, bore with great patience the Cross, which was laid upon him for his greater torment and ignominy.

The Prayer.

O *Holy Virgin, example of patience, by the most painful carrying of the Cross, in which thy Son our Lord* Jesus Christ, *bore the heavy weight of our sins, obtain for us of him by thy Intercession, courage and strength to follow his steps, and bear our Cross after him unto the end of our life.* Amen.

The Fifth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus Christ*, being come to Mount *Calvary*, was stript of his Cloaths, and his Hands and Feet most cruelly nailed to the Cross in the presence of his most afflicted Mother.

The Prayer.

O *Holy* Mary, *Mother of God, as the Body of thy beloved Son*

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was for us extended on the Cross, so may our desires be dayly more and more stretched out in his Service, and our hearts wounded with compassion of his most bitter passion. And Thou, O most Blessed Virgin, vouchsafe to negotiate for and with us, the work of our Salvation by thy Powerful Intercession. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Hail Holy Queen, &c. with the Verse and Prayer.

The Glorious Mysteries for Wednesdays, *and* Saturdays *through the year, and* Sundays *after* Easter *until* Advent.

The First Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us contemplate in this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus Christ* triumphing gloriously over Death, rose again the third day Immortal and Impossible.

Our Father, Hail Mary, as before.

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The Prayer.

O *Glorious Virgin* Mary, *by that unspeakable joy thou receiv'st in the Resurrection of thy only Son, we beseech thee obtain of him for us, that our hearts may never go astray after the false joys of this World, but may be ever and wholly imploy'd in the Pursuit of the only true and solid joys of Heaven.* Amen.

The Second Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt Us contemplate on this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus Christ* Forty days after his Resurrection, ascended into Heaven, attended by Angels, in the sight of his most Holy Mother, his Holy Apostles and Disciples, to the great admiration of them all.

The Prayer.

O *Mother of God, comfort of the afflicted; as thy beloved Son, when he ascended into Heaven, lifted up his Hands, and blessed his Apostles; so vouchsafe, most Holy Mother, to lift up thy pure hands to him*

him for Us, that we may enjoy the Benefit of his Blessing and thine here on Earth, and hereafter in Heaven. Amen.

The Third Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt Us contemplate on this Mystery, how our Lord *Jesus Christ* being seated on the right hand of God, sent (as he had promised,) the Holy Ghost upon his Apostles, who after he was ascended, returning to *Jerusalem*, continued in Prayer and Supplication with the B. Virgin *Mary*, expecting the performance of his Promise.

The Prayer.

O *Sacred Virgin, Tabernacle of the Holy Ghost, we beseech thee, obtain by thy Intercession, that this most sweet Comforter, whom thy beloved Son sent down upon his Apostles, filling them thereby with spiritual joy, may teach us in this World the true way of Salvation, and make us walk in the pathes of Virtue and good Works.*

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The Fourth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us contemplate in this Mystery, how the Glorious Virgin twelve years after the Resurrection of her Son, passed out of this World unto him, and was by him assumed into Heaven, accompanied by the Holy Angels.

The Prayer.

O *Most prudent Virgin, who entring into the Heavenly Pallace didst fill the Holy Angels with joy, and Man with Hope; vouchsafe to intercede for us in the hour of our Death, that free from the Illusions and Temptations of the Devil, we may joyfully and securely pass out of this temporal state to enjoy the happiness of Eternal Life.* Amen.

The Fifth Mystery.

The Meditation.

LEt us contemplate in this Mystery, how the Glorious Virgin *Mary*, was with great Jubily and Exultation of the whole Court of Heaven, and particular

Glory of all the Saints crowned by her Son with the brightest Diadem of Glory.

The Prayer.

O *Glorious Queen of all the Heavenly Citizens, we beseech thee accept this* Rosary, *which as a Crown of Roses we offer at thy feet, and grant most gracious Lady, that by thy Intercession our Souls may be enflamed with so ardent a desire of seeing thee so gloriously crowned, that it may never die in us until it shall be changed into the happy fruition of thy Blessed sight.* Amen.

Hail Holy Queen, &c.

With the Verse and Prayer, as before. And the *Litany* of the B. Virgin; as followeth.

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The *LITANIES* of our Blessed Lady of *Loretto.*

So called,

For that they are usually sung in that Sacred Church of Loretto, *upon all the* Saturdays *in the Year, and Feasts of the Blessed Virgin* Mary.

Anthem.

WE fly to your Patronage (O Sacred Mother of God!) despise not our Prayers in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, O ever glorious and blessed Virgin.

LOrd have mercy on us.
Christ have mercy on us.
Lord have mercy on us.
Christ hear us.
Christ graciously hear us.
God the Father of Heaven have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the World, have mercy on us.
God the Holy Ghost, perfecter of the Elect, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of Virgins,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of Divine Grace,
Most pure Mother;
Most chaste Mother,
Inviolated Mother,
Entire Mother,
Amiable Mother,
Admirable Mother,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Saviour,
Most prudent Virgin,
Virgin to be Venerated,
Virgin to be praised,
Powerful Virgin,
Clement Virgin,
Faithful Virgin,
Mirour of Justice,
Seat of Wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual Vessel,
Honourable Vessel,
Rare Vessel of Devotion,
Mystical Rose,
Tower of David,
Tower of Ivory,
Golden House,

Pray for us.

Ark

Ark of the Covenant,
Gate of Heaven,
Morning Star,
Health of the Sick,
Refuge of Sinners,
Comfortreſs of the afflicted,
Help of Chriſtians,
Queen of Angels,
Queen of Patriarchs,
Queen of Prophets,
Queen of Apoſtles,
Queen of Martyrs,
Queen of Confeſſors,
Queen of Virgins,
Queen of all Saints,

Pray for us.

Lamb of God, which takeſt away the Sins of the World, ſpare us O Lord.

Lamb of God which takeſt away the Sins of the World, Graciouſly hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, which takeſt away the ſins of the World, have mercy on us.

Anthem. We fly to your Patronage, O Sacred Mother of God: deſpiſe not our Prayers in our neceſſities; but ever deliver us from all dangers, O ever gracious and Bleſſed Virgin. *V.*

Verſ. Pray for us Holy Mother of God.

Reſp. *That we may be made worthy of the promiſes of Chriſt.*

Let us Pray.

WE beſeech Thee, O Lord, pour forth thy Grace into our Hearts, that We, who by the meſſage of an Angel, have knowledge of the Incarnation of thy Son, by his Croſs and Paſſion, may be brought to the Glory of the Reſurrection. Through the ſame Chriſt our Lord. *Amen.*

Verſ. The Divine help remain always with us. *Reſp. Amen. Verſ.* And may the Souls of the faithful reſt in peace. ℟. *Amen.*

Prayers for the King, Queen, and Queen Dowager.

PSALM XIX.

OUR Lord hear thee in the day of tribulation: the Name of the God of *Jacob* proteſt thee.

Send he aid to thee from the holy place: and from *Sion* defend he thee. Be

Be he mindful of all thy Sacrifice: and be thy Holocauſt made fat.

Give he unto thee according to thy heart: and confirm he all thy Counſel.

We ſhall rejoyce in thy Salvation: and in the Name of our God we ſhall be magnified.

Our Lord accompliſh all thy Petitions: now have I known that our Lord hath ſaved his Chriſt.

He ſhall hear him from his holy Heaven: the Salvation of his right hand is in powers.

Theſe in Chariots, and theſe in Horſes: but we will invocate in the Name of the Lord our God.

They are bound and have fallen: but we have riſen and are ſet upright.

Lord, ſave the King, and hear us in the day that we ſhall invocate thee.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

Verſ. Lord, ſave JAMES our King.

℟. *And hear us in the day that we ſhall invocate thee.*

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Let us pray.

WE beſeech thee *Almighty God*, that thy Servant JAMES *our King, who through thy mercy, has undertaken the Government of the Kingdom; may likewiſe receive the increaſe of all Virtues, wherewith being adorned, he may both avoid the Enormity of Sin, vanquiſh his Enemies, and by thy Grace attain thee, who art the Way, Truth, and Life. Through* Chriſt *our Lord.* Amen.

To be added to the laſt *Collect* at the end of *Maſs*.

AND *defend thy Servants*, Innocent *the Chief Biſhop*, James *our King*, Mary *our Queen, and Queen* Katherine, *together with our ſelves, and all Chriſtian People, from all adverſity, always, and in all places: Grant Peace and Welfare in our times, and preſerve thy Church from all wickedneſs. Through our Lord* Jeſus Chriſt *thy Son, who lives and reigns God with thee, in the Unity of the Holy Ghoſt for evermore.* Amen.

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